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Applicant's representative held an interview with Examiner Vinh on December 7, 2005. Applicant's representative would like to thank Examiner Vinh for his time and attention to this matter.

Applicant's representative referred the Examiner to the pending Office Action (paper no. 091405) and pointed out that independent claim 59 stands allowed while dependent claims 86 and 93, which depend from independent claim 59, are allegedly rejected. Applicant's representative pointed out to the Examiner that this inconsistency would prevent Applicant from appropriately responding to the pending Office Action.

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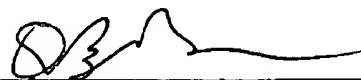
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The Examiner has agreed. The Examiner stated he would issue a new Office Action and begin a new three-month statutory response period for responding to the new subsequently issued Office Action.

Applicant's representative is greatly appreciative of the efforts and time put in to this matter by Examiner Vinh.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 12-7-05

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